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*The Crucible* Anticipation/Reaction Guide Statement #1

It’s one of those times when someone gets accused for something they didn’t do. Confessing a crime that someone didn’t commit in order to avoid punishment is never wise. One should stand up for what they believe in and not lie for something they didn't do. If someone lies and says something they didn’t do in order to get out of trouble shows that they are weak. If someone didn’t do something, they should never say that they did no matter what because they will end up living with the shame of people thinking about whatever it is they are blaming them for. Usually someone always gets punished if they confess to a crime regardless of whether they did it or not. If someone confesses to a crime they didn't do, they will not avoid punishment. They will still get into trouble. Doing this is immoral and not wise at all. Taking the blame and lying for someone who is the real criminal will just end up getting that person into more trouble. One should let the person who committed the crime take the punishment. Also they are lying in order get out of something that they didn't do in the first place. No one has anything to confess if they never did anything wrong. If someone didn't commit the crime then someone else is getting away with that crime. The right thing to always do is to tell the truth even though sometimes the truth can get someone into trouble. One should always take responsibility for their actions, not someone else's. If someone admits to a crime that they didn't do, then the person that committed the crime will never learn from their mistakes. They will continue to think that they can get away with committing more crimes. In other words, this will show that one is enabling them to get away with their crimes and that their crimes might get worse because the person that committed the crime will never be punished for their own actions. When people do crimes, they should take responsibility for their actions rather than rely on someone else to take one for the team. For example, if a friend steals from somebody and that person takes the blame for it not only is that person going to get in trouble by the police but that crime stays on that person’s permanent record for the rest of their life. Even though the person that takes the blame tries to be a very good friend, both of them are still at stake at getting into a lot of trouble. It can also be a factor for that person when they go to apply for a job because they don't want somebody that steals. In some situations one might take the blame for it, but in the long run that person should just let their friend or whoever get in trouble for their actions. They chose to make the bad choice. They committed the crime. Therefore they are the ones that need to pay the consequences.

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